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State Finances.

In commenting on the financial statement of State Treasurer Kendall for the fiscal year which ended September 30, the Parkersburg State Journal remarks: "The showing made by Treasurer Kendall is all creditable to him and to the Republican administration, and is one that should be gratifying to the citizens of West Virginia. The volume of business in the treasurer's office, during the year just closing, was unprecedentedly large. From inquiry we learn that 3,677 checks were issued against \$4,96 for the preceding year, and 4,771 receipts were taken, as against 3,361 the preceding year."

Considering the venomous attacks which have been made by the Democratic press on the alleged extravagance of the Republican administration during the half year in which it has had the management of the state's finances, the statement is indeed a creditable showing and is sufficient answer to reckless assertions that have been made. Notwithstanding there were unusual demands made on the treasury, due to the legacy of a quarter of a million dollars in old bills inherited from the preceding administration, the treasury has met all ordinary demands and at the close of last week, there was a balance in the hands of the treasurer, to the credit of the state fund, of \$247,748.33, which added to the general and uninvested school fund, makes the total balance in the treasury \$782,659.50. The legislature was obliged to pass a deficiency bill to cover the unpaid bills which are now about all paid. Notwithstanding this, the balance at the end of the year was in excess of that at the end of the previous year.

The report shows a decrease in the uninvested balance of the irreducible school fund, this being due to the withdrawal of a large amount of the fund from the banks which were paying but 3 per cent interest and its investment in bonds which pay double that interest, thus increasing the revenues of the state.

The receipts of the treasury last year were \$1,284,583.66, in the state fund and the disbursements \$1,270,281.92; in the general school fund the receipts were \$375,798.25, the disbursements \$381,512.29; in the irreducible school fund the receipts were \$52,600.87, and the disbursements \$119,187.12.

Taken altogether the showing will compare favorably with the statements of the best of former years and shows the state to be in excellent financial condition.

Justice to Tom Moore.

An interesting letter written by the poet Thomas Moore has just come to light in connection with the discussion now going on in the press growing out of the fact that his name has been omitted from the roll of great poets in the new congressional library building in Washington. The reason given for the omission was that in his poems on America, Moore attacked this country and was particularly bitter against Thomas Jefferson, whom the English at that time especially hated, as the author of the Declaration of Independence and the leading statesman of the revolution.

The letter referred to, which is in the possession of Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, was written in 1816, twelve years after the offensive poems were published, and was addressed to the editor of the Philadelphia Portfolio, a leading journal of that day. It is a manly acknowledgment of the error he committed in his attacks on America, which he attributed to the rashness of his youth, and is an eloquent expression of regret.

On the recent discovery that Moore's name had been omitted from the roll of fame in our great national library there was a storm of criticism from the American admirers of the poet, and the matter being brought to the attention of Senator Hoar, he has given to the press this relic which now does such tardy justice to the memory of Moore in the minds of Americans. In the course of the letter the poet said:

"This life is just long enough to commit error in, but too short to allow us time to repair them, and there are few of my errors I regret more sincerely than the rashness I was guilty of in publishing those crude and boyish verses against America. My sentiments, both with respect to their national and individual character, are much changed since then, and I should blush, as a lover of liberty, if I allowed the hasty prejudice of my youth to blind me now to the bright promise which America affords of a better and happier order of things than the world has ever yet witnessed."

"If you will continue to be as good republicans as we of Europe seem determined to be good royalists, the New and the Old World need soon have no other distinction than the Hemisphere of Freedom and the Hemisphere of Slavery."

manly acknowledgment in his more disinterested years of the error and the misjudgment of the character of Americans and their then greatest statesman, shows that the poet's heart was all right, and that he possessed one of the chief elements of true greatness, the ability to change his opinions and to frankly admit an error of judgment.

The Internal Revenue Changes.

Collector of Internal Revenue Fruit, of the Pittsburgh district, is having pretty much the same experience in the matter of reinstating old employees in the place of men who succeeded them under the Democratic administration, as the collectors of other districts, including our own, are having. Two deputies who were notified on Thursday that their appointments had been revoked in obedience to orders from the treasury department, have refused to accept dismissal. The talk about violations of the civil service law, in many instances, is caused by a misunderstanding of the motives for the changes, on the part of the public. The Pittsburgh Dispatch in referring to the matter does not regard the actions of the department as being any violation of the law. "In the progress of the dismissals from the revenue service," says our contemporary, "there is far less evidence of political motives than was promised at the inception of the trouble. There is no indication that the collector has been inspired by partisanship in his part of the affair, and the reinstatement of old employees who were distinguished for their ability and fidelity is not in the nature of a triumph for the spoils policy. The civil service law is in full operation, and will continue to be in spite of the desires of the politicians of either side."

Escape of a Noble Girl Patriot.

The news that the beautiful young Cuban patriot, Senorita Cisneros, who has been confined in a Spanish prison in Cuba for several months, has escaped, will be hailed with a great deal of satisfaction by the people of this country, whose sympathies have been aroused by the stories of her sufferings. It will be remembered that the young woman was charged with a conspiracy against the crown of Spain after she had, in defense of her honor when approached by a Spanish officer, caused him to be badly beaten by her male relatives.

Senorita Cisneros was closely confined in prison and has been awaiting trial on this trumped up charge, in the meantime suffering many indignities. It was only recently when the United States government became interested in her case that she was accorded better treatment and promised an early trial.

It is hoped that the brutal Spanish authorities will not be able to find the hiding place of this young girl who has so bravely borne, through so many months, their persecution. All the more will the public hope this because she was persecuted to satisfy the revenge of one of Spain's "brave" commanders who are making war on women and children, and who in this instance sought to commit her to a fate worse than death, offering her, as the price for her honor, a pardon for her devotion to the cause of Cuba, which was to him a crime.

Tardy Justice.

The esteemed Register is just enough to publish a statement from Captain Dovenor correcting its recent unjust statement regarding the California trip by the "gunboat party." It quotes the captain as follows:

"The captain was very much pleased with the success of the California trip, which was arranged by him, but was a trifle annoyed at the published statements that the government will be under thousands of dollars of expense for the entertainment of the Whelshing party. 'That statement is untrue,' he said to a Register reporter. 'As a matter of fact the government does not pay a single cent of the expense. The only thing I asked of the government was a letter to the navy officials in San Francisco, which I received. They treated us royally.'"

As the 'published statements' referred to appeared in no paper except the Register, and as the Register sneered at the Intelligencer's correction of the insinuation, saying that this paper didn't know what it was talking about, its publication of Captain Dovenor's correction has a point which can be readily observed.

Pittsburgh is revelling in the luxury of a horse show, which is proving a mighty success. Like all horse shows these days, it is a great society event, and the attention of the men is divided between the equine and human beauties, with the latter the decided favorites. In fact it should not be called a show, for the horses have no show. This fact caused an enthusiastic Pittsburgh poet to burst forth as follows in the Dispatch:

At the equine exhibition he took a front rank. But his eyes were closely gazing on the number most amazing Of pretty women's faces, which enticed him.

"A horse show if they're calling, but it is a fact appalling. Rally, he, 'and one all people ought to know, That with all this female beauty, to state it is a pity, The poor horses haven't really got a show.'"

Ex-President Cleveland declines to answer his friends' question, whether he would accept the New Jersey senatorship, but political speculators will not find it hard to read between the lines of his replies to all such interrogatories, as for instance, "An answer to this question at this time, I am sure, would be premature and out of place." While Mr. Cleveland is correct as a matter of political ethics, it is plain to be seen by the apparent pleasure he takes in watching the boom which the sound money Democrats of New Jersey are working up, that he would not say no at a proper time.

"Two western gentlemen arrived in New York with a friend whom they were taking to a sanitarium for a slight affection of the mind. Before taking him to the hospital they thought it might have a good effect on his mind to take him to see a comedy at one of the theatres. It happened that there was an Indian war dance in the play and when it began the patient in charge of the western men became excited and joined in the dance, though he confined himself to the auditorium. It required his two friends and all the ushers to get him out of the theatre, not, however, until he had created a panic among the audience."

The westerners have doubtless concluded that they are not experts in the matter of insanity cures.

Major Moses P. Handy, the United States commissioner, "kicked" for more space for the United States at the Paris Exposition and got it. The authorities of the exposition may not know that Major Handy is a newspaper man, and that American newspaper men are experienced in the matter of demanding more space and raising a row if they don't get it. After their experience with Major Handy they possibly know it now.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS

When money talks we never pause to criticize its grammar.
Never strike a man when he's down—especially for a loan.

A mouse can make dress goods go quicker than a high tariff can.

A lawyer doesn't know everything, but he thinks you think he does.

Liquor affects a man's brain, if he has any; if not, it affects his legs.

The women with tiny feet can't understand why long skirts are fashionable.

The man at the little end of the horn always manages to make himself heard.

The want columns of the daily papers prove that man wants a great deal here below.

When you investigate a grewsome tale you usually find that it grew some since it started.

After a man succeeds in printing one kiss upon a girl's lip it's an easy matter to run off a large edition.—Chicago News.

Expert Evidence.

Parkersburg State Journal: Ex-Governor MacCorkle is not so wilfully blind as one might think, even if he is a Democrat.

The Baltimore American calls attention to a recent visit of our ex-governor to New York, on which occasion he testified with his usual vigor that prosperity has returned, so far as West Virginia is concerned. We like to hear these honest statements from a democrat, for when one is finally forced to acknowledge prosperity, there is no need of further evidence.

Had It Bad.

Chicago News: Reginald Smith's engagement would never have become known as soon as it did if he had not belonged to the Absent-Minded Fraternity.

He was passing his mother one day on the way from the library to the dining room and the whole family was assembled around.

Reginald put his arm about his mother in an entirely filial manner, but what he said was: "Kiss me, Nell!"

HUMOR AS IT FLIES.

The Facts of the Case—"Really and truly, I did not compare you to the wren? What was his exact language?" "If you've simply got to know, he called me 'tubnerke'."—Indianapolis Journal.

Anti-Matrimonial Indication.—Jenks "Doctor, I have a frequent and intense desire to kiss young and beautiful girls. Do you think I ought to get married?"

His Doctor.—No; under those circumstances you'd better not get married.—Yellow Book.

Where Boston Is.—Teacher (to small boy in the first class in geography)—Now, Charlie, tell me where Boston is. Small Boy (who has not prepared his lesson)—In first place, ma'am.—New York Tribune.

Genuine Reform.—"I suppose you don't hear much talk about 'reformers' out this way," said the politician who was seeking a little rustic recreation.

"We don't, eh?" exclaimed Farmer Corntassel. "We've got a reformer right here in the family, and the hull of him is talkin' about 'im an congratulatin' 'im. Our boy Josiah has stopped smokin' cigarettes."—Washington Star.

Misunderstood.—"Officer, is there a good restaurant in this neighborhood?" "Yes, ma'am—just around the corner."

"Is there a saloon attached to it?" "No, but they'll send out and get you anything you like, ma'am."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

No Need—Visitor—I presume your daughter plays the piano? Mrs. Neuvorliche (proudly)—No, indeed. Dear Ethel doesn't have to. Her pa is rich enough to buy her one of those pianos which plays itself.—Harper's Bazar.

Hearless.—"That was a very inhuman reception Henderson gave the tramp who called there for a bite to eat yesterday, wasn't it?" "I hadn't heard of it. What did he do?"

"Got out one of his wife's biscuits and—"

"Surely he didn't feed it to the poor fellow?" "No—he hit him with it."—Cleveland Leader.

NOT ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD.

A fact often overlooked, or not always understood, is that women suffer as much from distressing kidney and bladder troubles as the men. The womb is situated back of and very close to the bladder, and for that reason any distress, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort. The error is easily made and may be easily avoided by setting urine aside for twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need doctoring. If you have pain or dull aching in the back, pass water too frequently, or scanty supply, with smarting or burning—these are also convincing proofs of kidney trouble. If you have doctored without benefit, try Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy. The mild and extraordinary effect will surprise you. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures. If you take a medicine you should take the best. At druggists fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail. Mention Intelligencer and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Company, Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

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CASTORIA.

It is very easy to get a cold.

WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Of the Methodist Episcopal Church only a few Veterans Left.

Pittsburgh Christian Advocate: Of Morgantown, the seat of the West Virginia conference, we have already spoken. The conference has frequently met here, the last time before the present having been eleven years ago, when Bishop Mallalieu, who now presides, was the president. The bishop came this year again in the full vigor of all his powers, and zealous as ever in the work of the church. All his public utterances were full of unction and power, and his bearing was that of a Christian brother. All hearts were drawn to him.

Of more than usual interest was the address of welcome delivered by the venerable ex-Senator W. T. Willey. This man of God, honored of all men, is now in his eighty-sixth year, and of course shows the marks of age; but his mind was as clear, his thought as orderly and cogent, and his spirit as warm as ever. He spoke with remarkable ability, and stirred the conference by the earnestness of his words. His address will not soon be forgotten by those who heard it.

The response of Bishop Mallalieu was in every way fitting, and did honor to himself and his office. A few of the veterans, once leaders of the hosts, still remain—Gideon Martin, James L. Clark, A. J. Lyda and Benjamin L. Smith, for whom some of these are quite vigorous still, while others confess to the weight of years. They are all held in the highest esteem by their brethren, and are enjoying a bright, green old age. They are cheerful and happy, and see the standards pass into younger hands and the battle go on without lament or reflections. They have accomplished their active work, and now cheer on those who take their places.

The conference has changed much in the past, and still continues to suffer from this cause, but there is an evident improvement. Young men of ability and promise are coming in, and it is hoped they will remain to cultivate this important field. The results of the work of the conference seminary are beginning to be seen in the better training of young men, and these will appear more and more in the future. Those who enjoy the advantages of this excellent school will give better account of themselves in the work of the ministry, as elsewhere. And those who follow this up with college and seminary training will reach their highest usefulness.

The New Refrain.

Do you recall that time last year, Upon the Klondike river,
We thrived for a glass of beer,
And shook with many a shiver?

I oft since then have wondered why
For gold, in Nature's quiver,
We should not have a wedge of pie
Upon the Klondike river.

Our boat kept measure with its oar,
Till one September morning
The river froze from shore to shore
Without a minute's warning.

And out our comrades came to see
We didn't have a sliver
Of anything to eat but snow
Upon the Klondike river.

We'd dug four tons of gold a week,
And piled it all around us,
Into a glittering yellow peak,
Just as the winter dawned us.

And when the summer came once more,
Although it seemed it never
Would come again, we were dead
Upon the Klondike river.

For not a speck of dust had we,
Of all we had collected,
Because, by gravity, don't you see,
'Twas not as we expected.

For grub was needed right along,
And stuff to stop a shiver,
And "round for round," the sutlers' song,
Upon the Klondike river.

So when the warm had killed the cold
And winter time was over,
We'd eaten all our pile of gold,
And still were not in clover.

Because we owed a board bill yet,
Which, with our best endeavor,
Will wipe the wad this year we'll get
Upon the Klondike river.

—New York Sun.

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